

House File 2175 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN
RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 2073)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the use of telecommunications technology in
2 terminations of pregnancies, and providing penalties.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 146A.1 Prohibition of termination
2 of pregnancy by telecommunications technology — violations.

3 A person shall not cause to be dispensed to a pregnant woman
4 via telecommunications technology, including but not limited
5 to a webcam or teleconferencing, any chemical agent or drug
6 designed to terminate a human pregnancy with the intent that
7 the pregnant woman will use the chemical agent or drug to
8 terminate the woman's pregnancy. A person who violates this
9 section and is regulated by a health profession board pursuant
10 to chapter 147 is subject to license discipline procedures
11 and if found in violation shall be subject to the maximum
12 discipline applicable by the professional licensing board
13 including but not limited to revocation of licensure and civil
14 penalties.

EXPLANATION

16 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
17 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

18 This bill relates to the use of telecommunications
19 technology in the termination of a pregnancy. The bill
20 prohibits a person from causing to be dispensed to a pregnant
21 woman via telecommunications technology, including but not
22 limited to a webcam or teleconferencing, any chemical agent or
23 drug designed to terminate a human pregnancy with the intent
24 that the pregnant woman will use the chemical agent or drug
25 to terminate the woman's pregnancy. A person who violates
26 the bill and is regulated by a health profession's board is
27 subject to license discipline procedures and if found in
28 violation is subject to the maximum discipline applicable by
29 the professional licensing board including but not limited to
30 revocation of licensure and civil penalties.